

Restoration and cleaning of Yamuna

†470. SHRI JAI PARKASH AGGARWAL: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any plan regarding restoration and rejuvenation of river Yamuna passing through the capital Delhi; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA): (a) and (b) Yamuna Action Plans (YAP) have been taken up with the assistance of the Japan Bank for International Cooperation in a phased manner for undertaking abatement pollution works in the river Yamuna. Under the phase-I of YAP launched in April, 1993, 741 million litres per day (mld) of sewage treatment capacity was created, of which, 30 mld Sewage treatment capacity was created in Delhi. YAP-I was declared closed in February, 2003.

Under the YAP-II, which commenced in December, 2004 at an approved cost of Rs. 624 crore, major portion of the outlay i.e. Rs. 387.17 crores, has been allocated to Delhi. A sewage treatment capacity of 135 mld is proposed to be created under YAP-II in Delhi. In addition, projects for the rehabilitation of 324 mld treatment capacity and rehabilitation/laying of trunk sewers for a length of 30.82 kms are also envisaged under the YAP-II.

In addition to the YAP taken up by the Govt. of India, the Government of National Capital Territory (NCT) of Delhi has an addition taken up large scale sewerage and sewage treatment works out of its own plans funds.

Major rivers choked with industrial effluents

471. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE:
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the major rivers choked with industrial effluents, State-wise;

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